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The Woodlands Township Board of Directors holds monthly workshop

THE WOODLANDS, TEXAS (March 21, 2011) – The Woodlands Township Board of Directors held its monthly Board Workshop on Thursday, March 17, 2011, and discussed items in preparation for its next regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, March 23, 2011, at 6 p.m. The March 23 meeting will be held at The Woodlands Township Service Center, 2201 Lake Woodlands Drive, The Woodlands, Texas 77380.

During the workshop, the Board received three briefings:

- Waste Management's Director of Governmental Affairs Terry Woodson presented a check for over \$50,866.75 to enhance environmental education programs, including communication to residents, recycling equipment and sponsorship support for the Township's nature lecture series, Woodlands Landscaping Solutions and other environmental events.
- Marriott General Manager Fred Domenick presented an update regarding Convention Center activities and stated that The Woodlands Waterway Marriott is rated No. 4 in the nation within the Marriott Corporation for catering activities, just behind properties in New York City and Washington D.C. areas.
- The Woodlands resident and race director Scott Langen gave an update regarding the 2011 Memorial Hermann Ironman Texas Event, scheduled for May 21, 2011. This is a qualifying event that is expected to bring approximately 2,800 athletes representing nearly all 50 states and more than 25 countries to The Woodlands for a 140.6-mile triathlon. The race, part of the global Ironman Qualifying Series that consists of more than 20 events around the world, is expected to create an economic impact of \$15.9 million through the sale of thousands of hotel room nights, retail shopping, food and beverage.

During the workshop, the Board also reviewed the following items which will appear as consent agenda items at the March 23 meeting:

- The minutes of the February 17, 2011 Board Workshop and February 23, 2011 Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Directors of The Woodlands Township.
- An annual survey of prevailing wage rates and scale for construction projects.



- An amendment to The Woodlands Township's 2010 Budget to actual and final approval of expenditures in connection therewith.
- Annual compensation adjustments.
- An easement with CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp., d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Texas Gas Operations, for gas line improvements in the Village of Alden Bridge, Section 82, Restricted Open Space Reserve "D."
- Potential State Trust Fund Grant application regarding the 2011 Memorial Hermann Ironman Texas Event and authorize the President/General Manager to negotiate an agreement with the World Triathlon Corporation, based upon final approval of the Board of Directors.
- An amendment to the 2011 Capital Projects Budget for the carryover of certain funds included in the 2010 Capital Projects Budget.
- An amendment to the 2011 Budget for Environmental Services Contracted Services.

The Board reviewed the following items that will be placed on the March 23, 2011, regular meeting agenda for full discussion unless otherwise noted:

- A recommendation from the Audit Committee regarding a Request for Qualifications to provide audit services.
- Easement Encroachment Agreement with Magellan Pipeline for Alden Bridge Sports Park expansion.
- An amended 2011 meeting calendar for The Woodlands Township Board of Directors.
- Providing financial or other requested support to Montgomery County and/or the Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District in opposition to the TexCom Gulf LLC applications for injection well permits in Montgomery County. Joint Powers Agency General Manager Jim Stinson addressed the board during this topic.
- Authorization of payments to Municipal Utility District 39 related to the sale of the property at 250 Harper's Landing Blvd., in accordance with the 2007 Agreement in Support of Compromise and Settlement.
- A recommendation for the selection of architectural and design services for Central Fire



Station.

- Renovations for the property located at 9012 New Trails.
- Discuss 2009 taxation issue.
- Approval of proposed commission structure for sublease activity at 10001 Woodloch Forest Drive location (this item will be discussed at the March 23, 2011 Board of Directors Meeting).
- An agreement with The Woodlands Land Development Company for lease of Lake Woodlands, and Lake Woodlands Property Owners Association for covenant administration.
- An agreement between the Center for the Performing Arts at The Woodlands and The Woodlands Township relating to funding of cultural education events .
- Adoption of a supplemental election order appointing election officials and establishing compensation for same.

The Board workshop was immediately followed by a meeting of The Woodlands Fire Department Board of Directors to approve minutes of a previous meeting, review the January 2011 financial statements and to recommend an architectural and design firm for services for Central Fire Station. Fire Chief Alan B. Benson also gave an update on Fire Stations 7 and 8, which are currently under construction.

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PHOTO: Waste Management's Director of Governmental Affairs Terry Woodson, center, presents a check for \$50,866.75 to enhance The Woodlands Township's environmental education programs, including communication to residents, recycling equipment and sponsorship support for the Township's nature lecture series, Woodlands Landscaping Solutions and other environmental events. Accepting the donation on behalf of the Township are Environmental Services Manager Lynne Aldrich, left, and The Woodlands Township Chairman Bruce Tough, right.